

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 and 29 have been canceled. New claim 31 has been added that incorporates all of the limitations of allowable claim 6. New claims 32-37 have been added that depend from allowable claim 6 (now new claim 31). New claims 38, 39 have been added that depend from allowable claim 28. New claim 40 has been added that depends from allowable claim 30. No new subject matter has been added with these amendments.

The Office has stated that claim 6 is allowable if written in independent form, and has previously stated that claims 28 and 30 are allowable (Claim 29 having been canceled). Thus, independent claims 28, 30 and 31 are in allowable form, with allowable dependent claims 32-37, 38-39 and 40 depending from allowable independent claims 31, 28 and 30 respectively.

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicants request allowance of the application. Please forward further communications to the address of record. If the Examiner needs to contact the below-signed Attorney to further the prosecution of the application, the contact number is (503) 264-0944.

Respectfully submitted,

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